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In re Application of: Allan SHEPARD et al

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For: USE OF CATHEPSIN K INHIBITORS FOR THE TREATMENT OF GLUACOMA

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please add the following sentence below the title:

This application claims priority from PCT/US2003/040511 filed on December 19, 2003, and United States Serial No. 60/436,126, filed on December 23, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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